

CLAIMS

1. A non-volatile memory system comprising:
non-volatile memory divided into a plurality of segments each segment
5 having an address in an address space,
means for copying any one segment to be reprogrammed into a first
RAM, the first RAM having a size at least equal to the segment size,
a second RAM for holding a reprogrammed code,
writing means for writing the reprogrammed code from the second RAM
10 into the at least one segment to be reprogrammed, and
control means arranged to enable execution of the programme from the
first RAM during the reprogramming.
2. The system according to claim 1, wherein the segments are substantially
15 equal in size.
3. The system according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein each segment
contains some unused space.
- 20 4. The system according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the control means
comprises internal logic components.
5. A method of reprogramming a non-volatile solid state memory system
comprising a plurality of segments each segment having an address in an
25 address space, two RAMs each at least equal in size to a single memory
segment, and control means capable of enabling the execution of the program
from the first RAM during reprogramming, the method comprising steps of:
copying at least one segment to be reprogrammed into the first RAM,
diverting programme execution to the first RAM,
30 holding a reprogrammed code in the second RAM,

writing the reprogrammed code from the second RAM into the at least one segment to be reprogrammed, and
reverting to the original address instructions for the segment.

- 5 6. A user interface for guiding a user through a reprogramming of a non-volatile solid state memory system comprising a plurality of segments each segment having an address in an address space, two RAMs each at least equal in size to a single memory segment, and control means capable of enabling the execution of the programme from the first RAM during the reprogramming, the
- 10 user interface comprising:
a graphical representation of the imbedded processor showing the contents of each segment,
means for selecting the segment to be reprogrammed, and
means of initiating the method of reprogramming according to any one
- 15 of claims 5 to 7.